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TOPEKA, KANSAS WOMAN SENTENCED ON DRUG CHARGE

TOPEKA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Annette Denean Brown**, 38, Topeka, Kansas, was sentenced on June 17, 2004, by U.S. District Judge Sam A. Crow to **six years in federal prison, without parole, to be followed by four years of supervised release.**

Melgren said that Brown entered a guilty plea on December 18, 2003, to one count of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute crack cocaine.

Melgren said that Brown admitted at her plea that from April 4, 2003, through May 25, 2003, she conspired with co-defendant **David Tyrone Wakes**, 22, Topeka, Kansas, and others to possess with the intent to distribute five grams or more (.17 ounce or more) of crack cocaine. During a drug investigation by the Topeka Police Department, Brown and Wakes sold crack cocaine five times between April 4 and May 25, 2003, to a confidential informant working with the Topeka Police Department.

Co-defendant **Wakes** was sentenced on March 11, 2004, to 24 months in federal prison, without parole, to be followed by three years of supervised release. Wakes entered a guilty plea to one count of conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute crack cocaine.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the Topeka Police Department in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney Greg Hough in this prosecution.